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*Achilles*,  
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Hongkong, April 27, 1888. 680

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MARITIMES,  
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FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND  
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The Co.'s Steamship  
*Sindh*,  
Commandant MACO, will  
be despatched for the  
above Ports on or about THURSDAY the




10th Instant, after her arrival from Europe.  
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Agent.  
Hongkong, May 4, 1888. 724

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.  
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Hongkong, May 5, 1888. 730

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**FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.**

The Steamship *Monmouthshire*,  
CUMING, Commander,  
will be despatched for  
the above Ports on the 11th Instant.  
This Steamer has superior Passenger  
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Hongkong, May 5, 1888. 734

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MELBOURNE.

The Co.'s Steamship  
*Chingta*,  
ARTHUR, Commander,  
will be despatched as  
above on SATURDAY, the 12th Instant, at  
Daylight.

The attention of Passengers is directed  
to the Superior Accommodation offered by  
this Steamer. First-class Saloon and Cabins  
are situated forward of the Engine.  
Second Class Passengers are berthed in the

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For Freight or Passage, apply to  
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Hongkong, May 2, 1888. 716

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FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.


The Steamship  
*Strathleven*,  
C. W. PEARSON, Com'dr,  
will be despatched for the  
above Port on or about the 12th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, May 3, 1888. 722

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**OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.**  
**FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND**  
**YOKOHAMA.**

 The Co.'s Steamship  
Nertor,  
Capt. THOMPSON, will be  
despatched as above on  
UNDAY, the 13th Instant.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, May 5, 1883. 731

**Sailing Vessels.**  
**FOR SAN FRANCISCO.**  
 The American Ship  
*Ectolus,*  
 BURNHAM, Master, will load here  
 for the above Port, and will  
 have quick despatch.  
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**RUSSELL & Co**

Hongkong, April 6, 1888, 106







## THE CHINESE IN AUSTRALIA.

## TOTAL PROHIBITION FOR ALL THE COLONIES.

We learn that a telegram has been received by Messrs Russell & Co., telling them to send no Chinese passengers to any of the Australian colonies. This dispels all doubt as to whether the other colonies had followed the example of Victoria. The only matter with regard to which there is still uncertainty is the fate of the steamers that have left here previous to any notice being sent. Victoria has apparently acted with total disregard of all rights, and has put its policy of exclusion into force without thinking of the necessity of giving ample notice. There is just room to hope that the other colonies, although they have adopted the policy of total exclusion, have not acted in the same manner with regard to the several steamers that were on their way to Australia with passengers before this resolution was sent. It is rather difficult to divine from the information brought us by last Australian mail the events which have led up to the sudden enforcement of total exclusion. On the 31st March Sir Henry Parkes wired to the Imperial Government setting forth the objections of the colonists to the Chinese and urging that immediate steps be taken to "open such negotiations with the Emperor of China as will result in permanent security to the Australian colonies from the disturbance of Chinese immigration in any form." There was no time for a reply by letter to this telegram, but of course there was sufficient time for an exchange of opinion by telegraph. We may naturally suppose that such communication took place; and then we are driven to two conclusions—either that the reply of the Home Government was favourable and that a treaty has already been negotiated or arranged for—a supposition which is a slender base of probability; or that—which is far more likely—that the answer temporized and was unsatisfactory, and that the colonies have initially adopted Sir Henry Parkes' suggestion (almost threat), and have "without the loss of a single day" taken the necessary steps to protect themselves "once and for ever from the influx of Chinese." As often happens in an open act of infringement, or some bold course, it is upon to bring matters to a crisis; and it is probable that the Victoria Government seized the occasion of the arrival of the *Shing* with a large number of passengers to bring affairs to a head and induce the Imperial authorities to take decisive action. What will be the upshot of the struggle between the Home Government and the colonies is difficult to foresee.

## ANOTHER TRADE-GUILD CASE.

Reform Mr. Wodehouse, in the Police Court to-day, four tailors named Li Shing, Lau Cheong, Chan Pak and Tong Fung were charged with assaulting another man of the same craft named Chan Tong. Mr. Dennis appeared for the first defendant, Li Shing.

The complainant said—I am a tailor in the Wong Shing Ki shop in Tank Lane. On the 29th April about 11 a.m. I was on my way to my shop when I saw the second defendant, a man named Li Chak, whom I know, in the street, close to my shop. Li Chak is a brother of a man named Li Ku who has lately joined the Tailors' Guild. Li Ku has not paid up the full amount of his fees on account of this they beat Li Ku. His brother Li Chak interfered and they beat him too. When I saw the second defendant beating Li Chak I went up to separate them. The second defendant said I had no right to interfere, and I went back to my shop and left them alone. On the following day about noon the first and fourth defendants and another man came to my shop. I was asleep at the time. They attacked me with their hands and pulled me by the collar. My wife came to my assistance and they beat him. After this they left. On 1st May at 4 p.m. I was going to a shop in the same street as my own shop is in when I saw the four defendants armed with knives and daggers. They chased me and I ran back to my shop. Afterwards I informed the Police. I am not hurt except that I feel an internal pain. The four defendants are the committee of a tailors' guild. It is called the Sai Pak Tong and its hall is in Kat Cheung Lane. I am a member of it and have paid my fees up to date. The only reason why they should be annoyed at me is because I interfered when they were beating Li Chak.

Yang Chin, a tailor employed in the same shop as the complainant, corroborated his evidence as to what took place in the shop. By Mr. Dennis—Complainant was not bleeding when I saw him. I did not actually see him struck. I did not hear anybody say anything. I don't know what the beating was.

Wong Ku a tailor in the Hop Ping shop in Tank Lane, said he saw four men chasing complainant on 1st May with knives. The second, third and fourth defendants were three of the men and the other man was not in Court. The first defendant was not one of them. The first defendant was the head of the guild and the other three were men who acted under his orders. They were indignant with the complainant because he had been taking the part of another man who was objecting to the raising of the fees of the guild. The fees were to be \$1 for entrance but it had not been raised to \$2, witness did not know why. There were several hundreds of members of the guild. Li Ku was the only one witness known of who had objected to paying the entrance fee.

Mr. Dennis, in behalf of the first defendant, said his client had nothing to do with this case. There was a quarrel between the complainant and the first defendant, and the first defendant was not one of the men who were beating the complainant. The first defendant was not one of the men who were beating the complainant. The first defendant was not one of the men who were beating the complainant.

This man objected for some reason or other to paying and said there was a quarrel between him and some other member of the guild but the first defendant distinctly denied having anything to do with it. He was the head of the guild and lived in the first floor of the house in which the guild held its meetings, and whether it was because he was head of the guild or whether he was indignant at this charge was brought against him he said it was totally false. With reference to the general question of guilds his witness knew that in every country and at every time guilds had existed, and he (Mr. Dennis) did not think it would be for that Court to attempt to go into the question whether guilds were of benefit to their members or not.

His Worship, certainly not. Mr. Dennis (continuing) said the members had joined voluntarily as far as he or the Court knew and simply because the first defendant was head man he was not to be held responsible for everything that happened in his guild, although in this case he might have a certain amount of responsibility.

The complainant, recalled, said the first defendant, who was head of the guild, was one of the men who came to his shop. He acted as the leader of the party. The other three defendants were followers of the first defendant. They were persons belonging to the Sing Fok Tong. The Sing Fok Tong and the Sai Pak Tong were not the same.

His Worship, addressing the defendants, said—It is quite clear there has been some intimidation going on, but I can't settle this case until I have heard of the other side. I am afraid to come into it in consequence of what has been going on and I shall take it into consideration in connection with the case as to whether the defendants or not. I shall remand the case till Thursday week. At that time I expect he will be here, and if not I shall take it into consideration in dealing with the case.

## SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.  
(Before Mr. A. J. Leach, Acting Principal Judge.)

Tuesday, May 8.

## A DEPUTED BUILDING CONTRACT—LAW VI.

HONG KONG, 10 MAY.

This is a case arising out of a building contract. Mr. Messrs of Messrs Denny and Messop appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Ho Kai for the defendant. Mr. Messop said the plaintiff was a contractor and the defendant an owner of house property. Defendant in November last wished to build four houses at Wandui and had been in the habit of doing so for 20th of that month with plaintiff. By this agreement which was made between plaintiff and defendant a man named Mak Kwan signed as surety for plaintiff. Certain sums were to be paid as the work progressed, it being agreed that when the foundations were laid \$500 would be paid, and it was only this sum that had to be dealt with in the present case. The foundations were completed and the sum of \$300 was due to the plaintiff. Further, he said that the foundations having been finished, the contract was taken from him, and that, being so, he would have been entitled to sue for damages for breach of agreement, but he did not seek to do so. After the foundations were finished the surety got afraid that the plaintiff had entered into a contract that would not pay and refused to be surety any longer. Defendant sent for plaintiff and told him he must get another surety. Plaintiff endeavored to get another surety and offered another man, who however was refused, and defendant therefore took the contract from plaintiff.

Mr. Ho Kai said the defence was that the contract stated that the foundations were to be laid according to plan and also to construct. The foundations had to be taken up by the order of the Surveyor General and had to be laid under the plan. This was the reason why the contract was taken from plaintiff and also why his surety refused to stand as surety any longer. The defendant had to be paid \$90 for the materials utilised in laying the foundations.

Lau Yik Hing, plaintiff, said—In the month of November I entered into a contract with defendant. A copy of the contract is produced. It was for the building of four houses at Wandui. The work was commenced on the 22nd November. I engaged labourers and got stone-masons to cut the stones here. The foundations were completed on the 13th December. My surety, Li Kwan, at that time paid off \$300, the last of the foundations, but he was unwilling to give it to me. During the time the work was going on defendant used to come every day or every alternative day to look at it. He continued to do so until it was finished. He always looked at it and did not say anything.

By Mr. Ho Kai—The foundation wall I laid down was three feet broad and four feet deep. Some one from the Surveyor General's Office came down to look at the foundation when it was finished. He said the site was too high. He did not order the taking up of the foundation. He did not say the foundation was not good. No one told me that he had ordered the foundation to be taken up. Lau Yik Hing said he did not need to give the plan to me. I saw the plan produced before we began to work. I had it in my hand when I was making the foundation. I took my measurements from it. I was to make it as he told me. I did not do it according to this plan; I saw the plan and I was to make it as he told me. I did not do it according to this plan; I saw the plan and I was to make it as he told me.

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It might be a copy but that it was an exact duplicate of the original document he did not hesitate for a moment to say was untrue. The defendant absolutely swore that the signature on this alleged counter-part was not his, and insisted besides that the sum for \$300 made by the plaintiff against him, settled with him, was not his. Mr. plaintiff, in satisfaction of all claims. He was supported by the jury at that point. When a document like that brought forward by plaintiff was put into the Court the whole evidence became suspicious. Therefore it was that his Lordship thought it unnecessary to decide the question as to whether the foundations contract or not. The suit would be dismissed with costs.

## STOKES AND YOUNG v. D. BURANER.

This was a suit brought on a promissory note given by the defendant to the plaintiff. The note was for \$1000, payable to the order of Messrs. Stokes and Young. The defendant was a partner in the firm of Stokes and Young. The plaintiff was a partner in the firm of Stokes and Young. The defendant was a partner in the firm of Stokes and Young. The plaintiff was a partner in the firm of Stokes and Young.

## THE RICHMOND TERRACE ESTATE AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

LIMITED.

The following is the report of the General Manager, for the year ending the 31st December, 1887, for presentation at the ordinary general meeting, to be held on Wednesday, the 16th May, 1888:

To the shareholders of the Richmond Terrace Estate and Building Company, Limited.

GENTLEMEN,—I beg to lay before you our balance sheet for the year 1887.

The additional accommodation for servants referred to in my last report as desirable, has now been added to all the houses in the Terrace with satisfactory results.

The net profit after payment of interest to debenture holders, of repairs and other expenses, and including a small balance brought forward from last year, is £15,000.

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post nearly a length ahead of Monte Bréant, St. Gouthard third, Senechal fourth, Dandy fifth, Holyhook sixth, Reeper seventh, Bervina eighth. Time 3 min. 44 sec.

## 3.—THE LADIES' PURSE.—Value, £10.

For China Ponies.—Weight for inches as per scale.—Entrance, £5.—One Mile and a Quarter.

Mr. Sassoon's Bullion, 11st. 12lb. (Mr. Ho Kai).

Mr. Sassoon's Cancellor, 11st. 11lb. (Mr. Ho Kai).

Mr. Choufleur's Tartarin, 11st. 11lb. (Mr. Ho Kai).

Viking, Mont Blanc, Musgraves also ran.

At the quarter mile, it was evident that Bullion was the winner, as he had a long lead; here Cancellor ran into third place, Viking last. At the Monument Tartarin was second, with Tartarin half a length behind him. A good race then ensued between Bullion and Cancellor, Bullion won easily. Time—3 min. 24 sec.

## 4.—THE RACE CLUB CUP.—Value, £10.

For China Ponies.—Weight for inches as per scale.—Winners at this Meeting of a Race of one mile or under to carry 13 lbs. extra; over a mile, 14 lbs. extra—penalties according to rule.

Mr. Sassoon's Sneezer, 11st. 4lb. (Mr. Ho Kai).

Mr. Min's Reeper, 11st. 11lb. (Mr. Ho Kai).

Mr. Tell's Monte Rosa, 11st. 4lb. (Mr. Ho Kai).

Roadster, Forster, Rigi, Chippendale, Leap Year, Millionaire, also ran.

Monte Rosa was the favourite. Reeper took the lead at the half-mile, and Sneezer came through the horses and led the last at the Monument; followed by Roadster and Monte Rosa. On clearing the bushes Sneezer had the race in hand and was seven lengths ahead. There was a good race in between Roadster and Monte Rosa, but the former beat the latter by a length. Chippendale was fourth, Millionaire fifth, Leap Year sixth, Rigi last. Time, 4 min. 37 sec.

## 5.—THE CONCORDIA CUP.—Value, £10.

Presented by Members of the Club Concordia, added to a Sweepstakes of £10 each.—Second Pony to receive 40 per cent., and the third 30 per cent. of the net proceeds.

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